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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 24,
2001, the term for response to which expires on April 24, 2001.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 12-20 with the
following:

Conventionally, some lasers of this type, such as the one
described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,786,132, oscillate a singlewavelength
laser beam with use of an FBG in an external cavity. One such
laser appears in OECC '96 (First Optoelectronics and Communications
Conference Technical Digest, July 1996, Makuhari Messe), 18P-18.
This laser, using the FBG in its external cavity, has a so-called
lensed-fiber arrangement such that an end facet of a fiber, which
is an optical junction to a laser source, is lensed.



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